

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Durk Wildschut
Title: ELECTRIC FENCE TAPE, ROPE OR WIRE
AND FILAMENT THEREFOR
Docket No.: 34049

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Attn: Box Patent Application
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Please enter this amendment prior to the examination of the above-referenced patent application. Please amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Page 11, line 1 delete the centered heading "CLAIMS" and insert therefore starting at the left hand margin a new paragraph which reads --WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:--.

Please amend claims 5 and 10 to read as follows.

5. (Amended) A fence tape, rope or wire according to claim 3, wherein the at least one filament (3; 10; 13) has a cross-sectional area of which at least 5% forms part of the support zone (5).

10. (Amended) A filament according to claim 8, having a cross-sectional area of which at least 5% forms part of the support zone (5).

Please add new claims 11-12 to read as follows.

11. (New) A fence tape, rope or wire according to claim 4, wherein the at least one filament (3; 10; 13) has a cross-sectional area of which at least 5% forms part of the support zone (5).

1 12. (New) A filament according to claim 9, having a cross-sectional area of which
2 at least 5% forms part of the support zone (5).

REMARKS

The application has been amended to conform to U.S. practice. Claims 5 and 10 have been amended and new claims 11 and 12 have been added to eliminate multiple dependency.

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INDICATION OF REVISIONS TO CLAIMS 5 AND 10
U.S. PATENT APPLICATION FOR: ELECTRIC FENCE TAPE, ROPE OR
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1 5. (Amended) A fence tape, rope or wire according to [claims 3 and 4] claim 3,
2 wherein the at least one filament (3; 10; 13) has a cross-sectional area of which at least 5% forms
3 part of the support zone (5).

1 10. (Amended) A filament according to [claims 8 and 9] claim 8, having a cross-
2 sectional area of which at least 5% forms part of the support zone (5).

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